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REPORT

TOPIC Finstorwalde Airfield

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REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED

1. Between 10 and 15 June 1954, MiG-15s still practiced local flying at Finsterwalde airfield. Short local flights of about 7 minutes' duration and longer flights of 15 to 20 minutes' duration were made. At 1850 on 14 June, night flying was started.
2. On 15 and 16 June, 9 and 12 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s respectively were counted at the field. On both days, local flights of 3 or 4 minutes duration were made, while other aircraft disappeared out of sight and returned to the field after 20 to 25 minutes. On 17 June, practice flying continued and about 8 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s made flights in elements of two. After 20 to 25 minutes, the elements dispersed while flying a large left bank and then the aircraft landed individually. Vehicular traffic at the field included trucks.

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Comment. Re-training on MiG-15s is continued at Finsterwalde airfield. The first night flights were made on 14 June 1954.

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